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In connection with the above-identified application, Applicant hereby attaches U.S. Patent Office Form PTO-1449, including copies of the references listed thereon together with the English language abstracts. These references were cited in a European Examination Report dated August 6, 2002 of the corresponding European patent application. Enclosed is the European Examination Report. The claims in the present application are believed to be patentably distinguishable over these references.

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In compliance with the requirements of 37 C.F.R. §1.98(a)(3), as a concise statement of relevance, as it is presently understood by the individual designated in 35 U.S.C. §1.56(c) most knowledgeable about the content of the information, the undersigned attorney of record

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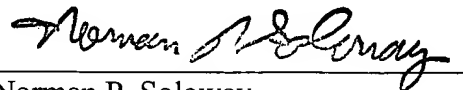
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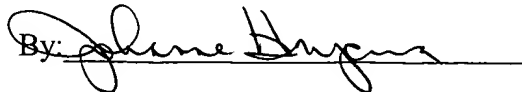
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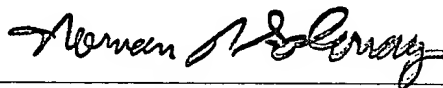
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